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Applicant(s): Schmidbauer et al.

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Filed: July 12, 2001

For:  DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MELTING OR REFINING GLASS OR GLASS CERAMICS

Art Unit: 1731

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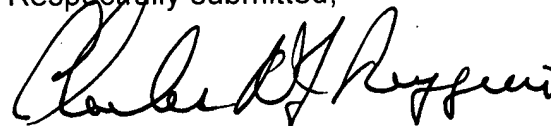
Dear Sir:

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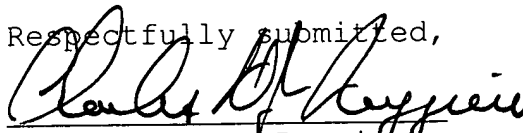
STATEMENT ON THE REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.104(e)

Dear Sir:

Applicants note receipt of the Reasons for Allowance dated February 20, 2004. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of the instant application are allowable for at least the reasons set forth in the specification, as well as the amendments and arguments presented during prosecution.

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